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REFERENCES

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1. The battleship SEVASTOPOL was in Lepaya Naval Harbor for repairs either during 1947 or 1948. No further information.
2. The cruiser SVERDLOV was in Lepaya Naval Harbor for repairs either during 1950 or 1951. No further information.
3. The cruiser ORDZHONIKIDZE was in Lepaya Naval Harbor for repairs during at least the first half of March 1952. [redacted] no information on the type of repairs carried out, except that the layout of the crews quarters was altered, and that large quantities of thin, tin-coated plates, as well as rolls of silver paper and asbestos sheets, were taken aboard. [redacted] crew, the cruiser's complement was between 700 and 800 men. The ship left the naval dockyard on about 15 May 1952, while it was still under the "Red Flag", which means that it had not yet been taken over by the Navy. The ship did not return to Lepaya after the repairs. A sketch of the armaments on the ORDZHONIKIDZE, with a legend, appears on page 3.
4. The cruiser MAKSIM GORKIY arrived in Lepaya Naval Harbor during May 1952 for repairs. One of the major repairs it underwent was the renovation of her boiler tubes. The ship was to be ready by October 1952, but was unable to sail until November or December 1952, because of a shortage of boiler tubes. The MAKSIM GORKIY is a frequent visitor to the Lepaya Naval Harbor. It was observed that it had rails for mines on its after deck, and that mines were stored on deck on both sides.
5. The cruiser KIROV has been in Lepaya Naval Harbor since the end of World War II, and, on one occasion, zinc blocks were fitted to her hull. The KIROV, because of her length, has difficulty in turning to enter the drydock in the Naval Harbor.
6. The cruiser ADMIRAL MAKAROV was in Lepaya Naval Harbor during 1946². At that time, Soviet sailors were being trained to handle the ship by German sailors.

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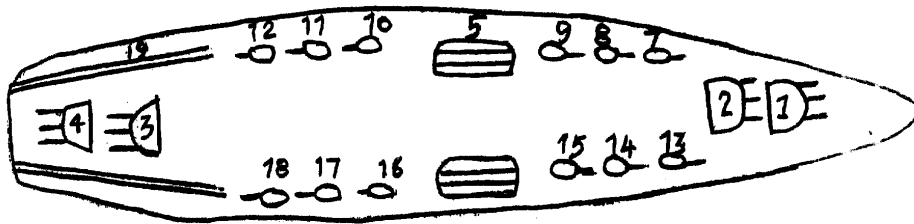
7. The destroyers STROGIY and STROINYI were in Lepaya during March and April 1952. Both destroyers have turbine engines, and develop a conspicuously good speed when going astern. One of the destroyers has the number 23. The No. 23 left for sea soon after 1 May 1952.
8. The following submarines were [] in Lepaya: 25X1
- a. Approximately six submarines of the S-Class are based in Lepaya Naval Harbor, one of which underwent major repairs in the Naval Dockyard. It was said that it was being completely modernized, as well as being fitted with automatic steering.
 - b. Four or five submarines of the SHCH-III Class are based in Lepaya.
 - c. Approximately five submarines of the M-Class are based in Lepaya. During the spring of 1952, it was observed that one of these submarines bore the number []. It was noticeable that submarines of this class have a direction-finder loop on the conning tower. Submarines of this class are the most versatile in the harbor, and are constantly leaving port for exercises, and then returning. 25X1
 - d. Three submarines of a class expressed in three letters are based in Lepaya. No further information.
 - e. Submarines [] and possibly [] are based in Lepaya.³ 25X1
These submarines are called by their crews "Atlantic Submarines". All these submarines have Guard's Flags, and the crews wear the Guard's Medal ribbon. In November 1952, the submarine [] was observed in Ventspils. 25X1
9. Four or five MTBs belonging to the border guards are based in Lepaya. They are marked with four figures; [] These MTBs have a mast which is tilted backwards, and at the top of the mast there is mushroom-shaped object. A sketch of this mast appears on page 3. 25X1
10. Approximately 15 motor minesweepers of the T-Class are based in Lepaya. These minesweepers are numbered in the 300 and 400 series.
11. There are approximately 12 to 15 anti-submarine vessels of the BO type based in Lepaya, as well as six to nine anti-submarine vessels of the MO type. Since the summer of 1952, the MOs have had a device fitted on their bows. For a sketch of this device, see page 3.
12. The submarine tender SMOLNIY is based at Lepaya Naval Harbor; it has the number [] plus two other figures. The SMOLNIY has a rangefinder on the crow's-nest. Its armament consists of two 3" guns on either side, between the bridge and the foremast, and one 2" gun aft. There are two antiaircraft guns on platforms, one on each side, just aft of the after mast; these guns are of approximately 20 mm caliber. Two other antiaircraft guns of the same caliber are located on a platform on the poop deck. 25X1
13. The submarine tender POLYARNAYA ZVEZDA is based at Lepaya Naval Harbor, and [] 25X1
14. The salvage lifting vessel KOMMUNA is based at the Lepaya Free Port.

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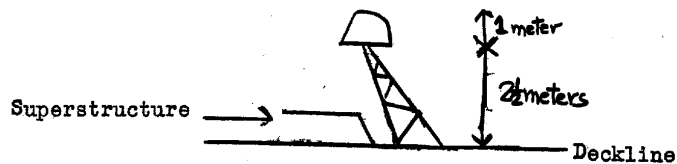
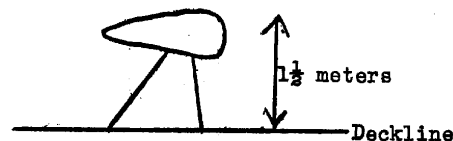
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Sketch of the ORDZHONIKIDZE:Legend to the Sketch of the ORDZHONIKIDZE:

- 1,2,3, and 4 12 heavy guns; the diameter of the guns was described by a member of the crew as almost wide enough for a man to get inside.
- 5 and 6 Torpedo tubes; three on each side.
- 7 thru 18 12 single-gun turrets; estimated caliber of the guns was 4". These gun turrets may be tilted sideways. All guns on board this cruiser are believed to be radar controlled, and at least the 12 heavy guns are automatically loaded.
- 19 and 20 Rails for mines.

Sketch of the Masts on MTBs:Sketch of Device on Bow of MOs:

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1.  Comment: The SEVASTOPOLE is carried in the Black Sea Fleet.

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2.  Comment: The ADMIRAL MAKAROV has been reported in Lepaya since 1946.

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